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=UP FRONT FOCUS Getting connected=

COMM Squadron links Red Cross to 21st Century

By Master Sgt. Jose Rojo

Seymour Johnson has a well-known reputation for having a great relationship with the local Goldsboro community. It can easily be argued that one of the reasons why this relationship is so good is because of the volunteer efforts of base people with various organizations in town.

One such effort happened May 26 when four members of the 4th Communication Squadron's network management shop volunteered to install computer network capabilities to the Wayne County Chapter of the American Red Cross.

According to Cindy Bell, Wayne County Chapter of the American Red Cross executive director, the chapter was in dire need of network capabilities for their computers.

Bell said they had one computer that was Internet capable and it had to be shared by many people. She

By Airman 1st Class

Charity Jules

Public Affairs

Four members from Seymour

Johnson are being given the opportuni-

ty to trade in their stripes for bars

Tech. Sgt. Bill Boisvert, 4th Logistic

Supply Squadron, Staff Sgt. Robert

Byrd, 333rd Fighter Squadron, Tech.

Sgt. Paul Netchaeff, 4th Equipment

Maintenance Squadron, and Tech. Sgt.

Veronique Pendell, 4th Services

through officer training school.

said it was very difficult to get things done since they rely on the Internet to download so much information.

They would have to take turns sitting at that one computer or have someone print out the information, she

Bell said that problem needed to be fixed so she proposed the network solution to the chapter's board of directors during one of their meetings. She said that's when Col. Steven Wagoner, 4th Support Group commander and advisor to the board, said he would look into how the base might be able to help out.

Two days after the meeting, Master Sgt. David Winkelman of the 4 CS network management shop met with Bell to discuss the chapter's needs.

"We had no idea this was going to happen, it was a dream for us," said Bell.

Bell said Winkelman volunteered put together a cost

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Four trade stripes in for gold

Squadron, were notified last month that

they will be leaving the 4th Fighter

Wing in the next three to six months to

When they were notified, each

"When I found out that I had been

selectee felt relief at finally achieving

picked up, there was a huge weight lift-

ed off my back," said Byrd. "I've been

reaching for this goal for eight years

and it is a big relief to have made it.

Now I have another goal; making it

seek their commissions.

their goals.



Like Byrd, Pendell said she's

relieved and astonished that she's

attained a goal she had put her heart and

"You put so much energy into achiev-

ing something and when you finally get

With the result of the board being

"When I finally found out, it was the

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pushed back, Boisvert said his wife was

it, it's a shock. I'm still in shock."

just as anxious as he was.

"I cried tears of joy," said Pendell.

Master Sgt. Stefon Jubar (top) and Senior Airman Adam Crane (below) install a local area network cable drop at the red cross building.

N.C. A & T:

New degree program offered on base

By Airman 1st Class **Charity Jules** Public Affairs

Registration for North Carolina A & T University's new program on base begins Monday, with class beginning Aug. 20.

This will be the first course of a bachelor's of science in electronics and computer technology degree offered by A & T, said Janie Best, education services officer.

"This program is for those people who have expressed interest in a more technical degree," said Best. "The program is related to engineering rather than business.'

The university, which is located in Greensboro, will provide the Technical Computers I class through video teleconferencing.

"With the teleconferencing, the class will actually be taught in Greensboro," explained Best. "This will allow the students who take the course

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Briefly

■ N.C. A & T undergraduate courses cost \$33 per semester hour. Graduate courses cost \$50 per semester hour. Tuition assistance may be used to help offset costs.

Employments NCO gets STEPped

By Senior Airman Travis Rilev Public Affairs

4th Mission Support Squadron staff sergeant got a surprise July 25 when he was promoted to technical sergeant under the stripes for exceptional performers program at the customer service section of the military

personnel flight. Tech. Sgt. Charles Randall. NCOIC of employment. said he was completely taken by surprise about the promotion.

STEP promotions give commanders a means to promote exceptional performers not selected under the weighted airman promotion system.

Randall said he was expecting a meeting



Tech. Sgt. Charles Randall

See EXCELLING,

Wing selects third

quarter's award winners

Diamond One recipient Tech. Sgt. Lee Wright 4th Mission Support Squadron

Honor Guard member of the Quarter Senior Airman Arthur Harrison 334th Fighter Squadron

Airman of the Quarter Airman 1st Class Jacob Wittlief 333rd Fighter Squadron

> NCO of the Quarter Staff Sgt. Ruben Alaniz

Senior NCO of the Quarter Master Sgt. Bruce Hodges 4th Security Forces Squadron

Company Grade Officer of the Quarter 1st Lt. Alvson Miller

4th Services Squadron Junior Civilian of the Quarter Rebecca Proctor

4th Comptroller Squadron

Senior Civilian of the Quarter **Dwight Young**

4th Civil Engineer Squadron Category I Non Appropriated Fund employee of the quarter

Category II NAF employee of the quarter Cindy Wilson

Bob Hayes

Local teachers deploy

More than 150 educators get military family experience

By Senior Airman Travis Riley Public Affairs

Wayne County teachers got a hands on experience deploy during the first of three seminars the wing is hosting to help educate them.

"We're just trying to familiarize the teachers with the process of deploying, so they can better understand what families, especially children go through," said Tech. Sgt. Lee Wright, family readiness NCO.

The teachers first met at the officers' club where they were given their first briefing. 'deployment" After their briefing, they traveled to the 4th Supply Squadron and received their mobility briefing. There they learned what a mobility bag was and what goes in them. They were also shown how to properly put on a gas mask.

James Mayville, NCO-in-charge of mobility, said programs like this are good because it allows the community to see how everyday tasks are done on

"Although they may seem small at the time, they act as pieces and come together to form the big picture, when a real world situation occurs," he said.

From the mobility briefing they were sent to the personnel deployment facility and issued dog tags and a button, which read "Team Seymour salutes Wayne County educators."

From the deployment facility, the teachers went on to take a tour of a KC-135 and then to their last stop, the "welcome home party" at the officers' club.

"We wanted to give them an idea of what a 'welcome home party' would be like for our troops who were coming back from a deployment," said Wright.

Wright said more than 150 teachers have registered to attend one of the three seminars.

"I hope this will be the first of many to come in the following years," she said about the seminar for

And Wayne County Schools' executive community relations director,

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Weekend Weather



Isolated thunderstorms

Hi: 87 Low: 68 Mostly cloudy



Hi: 86 Low: 70 ided by the 4 OSS weather flight



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EMS clinches first place with SFS defeat.

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CMSAF says help celebrate a milestone

Promotion to staff sergeant marks the transition from airman to noncommissioned officer

By Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force Jim Finch

WASHINGTON (AFPN) - We recently announced the release of the staff sergeant selection list - a time for recognition, celebration and congratulations. Promotion to staff sergeant is an important milestone in any Air Force career, since it marks the transition from airman to noncommissioned officer.

Surprisingly, I've heard a few comments expressing concern over the significant number of people accomplishing this milestone, and I've received several inquiries asking why the selection rate was so high. Basically, we have had an

increased number of vacancies at the staff sergeant level, coupled with a decreased pool of eligible senior airmen competing to fill them. This translated to higher selection rates, as evidenced by this year's 64 percent and last year's 50 percent.

The increased vacancies can be attributed in part to the decreased retention of mid-level NCOs in recent years and our initiative to reshape the balance of NCOs to airmen in our Air Force. In 1999, we received authorization to increase the percentage of the Air Force enlisted force allowed to serve in the top five grades from 48.5 percent to 56 percent. This initiative allowed us to start reducing the average time in

service required to promote our midlevel NCOs.

Despite this explanation, some still speculate that the real reason we increased promotion rates was simply to improve retention. While this wasn't the primary goal behind changing our enlisted force structure, we do hope earlier promotions will translate to improved manning and retention. As most probably already know, we are still short mid-level NCOs in many career fields.

Regarding the few comments I've heard about promoting people too quickly, I only need to look at this year's selectees to see we are on track. Of the 20,793 people named on this staff sergeant selection list,

more than 90 percent received the top rating on their most recent enlisted performance report. This tells me that at least three people in their rating chain believed they were ready for immediate promotion and were well-prepared to assume added responsibilities of the next rank.

I personally subscribe to the theory that improving an organization requires everyone to ensure their replacements have the tools, training, and support necessary for continued success. In that vein, I urge everyone currently serving in a supervisory position to help our new staff sergeant selectees adjust to their upcoming role as NCOs. At times, this can be as simple as explaining

the logic behind specific decisions or reminding them of the vital part they play in executing our Air Force mission. Keep in mind, these will be the professionals responsible for ensuring most tasks are done correctly. Also, a little recognition for jobs well done can instill great confidence in new supervisors. Lastly, we must provide all selectees the opportunity to complete the Airman Leadership School before their line number comes due.

Remember, developing the next generation of enlisted leaders is an investment in our future. The effort we give today will ensure they are prepared to keep our Air Force the best in the world for years to come.

Have pride in what you do

But if I had to pick just one thing that makes me do what I do, I would have to say it's my pride.



By Chief Master Sgt. Jeffrey Rogers Langley Chiefs Group

e had just finished one of our recent temporary duties when an airman came up to me and asked. "Chief, do you have a few minutes?"

"Of course," I said, "What can I do for you?" He replied, "Why do you

do what you do? I mean, why are you a chief and do what you do?" I simply responded

"Because I enjoy it."

For the next half-hour we discussed the continuation of my career and the beginning of his.

So why do I do what I do? First let me tell you, money has nothing to do

with it. What does, is working for the enlisted people and being in the position to make decisions that will impact the lives of many of

Along with that responsibility comes the possibility of making decisions that may not be popular with everyone. But, that is part of the inherent risk of being a chief and we understand

It also allows us to pass on the same great things that were passed on to us from the leaders we had as airmen. Without their guidance and supervision, the majority of us probably wouldn't have made it to where we are today in our careers.

The impact of Tech. Sgt. Larry Oxton, Tech. Sgt. Ron Grubb and Master Sgt. Rick

Yablonski early in my career gave me the will to continue on in the Air Force and do the right thing - continue to pass on tradition while making things better for the Air Force of the future.

It's not always an easy task though, due to an everchanging enlisted corps and money constraints, but it's what I thrive on and enjoy doing.

It's easy for me to regress and say, "When I was an airman," but I find myself quickly reminded of everything that's changed throughout the years and that what worked in my day may not

The airmen of today have a lot more choices to make and a lot more to base their decisions on.

I have to admit, it's an

everyday challenge to convince our airmen to choose the Air Force as a career, but it's a challenge I choose to accept.

Something else that makes me do what I do is being a member of one of the largest families in the world - the Air Force family.

You've heard it many times during retirements where the retiring individual wishes to thank their "second family." We take care of one another like nothing I've ever seen before, nor like anything I've ever seen in the civilian world.

What's so terrific about our family is that no matter what level you're at, we all contribute to its success.

But if I had to pick just one thing that makes me do what I do, I would have to say it's my pride.

I'm proud to be a chief. I'm proud to be a senior NCO. I'm proud to be enlisted. I'm proud to be part of

the number one Air Force in the world.

Does that sound like overkill?

Let me see if I can con-

vince you otherwise. One morning I dropped my truck off for scheduled main-

tenance at a local dealership. While waiting for a ride, I had a pleasant conversation with a gentleman who had been a teacher for 29 years and was a physical education instructor in the local area.

After about 15 minutes of exchanging experiences my ride showed up and we said goodbye to one another. But as I walked away he said, "Hey!"

I turned around and he shouted, "Thanks for serving our country; thanks for doing what you do.'

At that time, all I could do was smile, give him a "thumbs up" and reply, "My pleasure, sir."

And believe you me, it



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Seymour Johnson's Action Line is brought to the base by 4th Fighter Wing Commander, Col. David Edgington.

It provides a communication channel for people to obtain information and assistance in making Seymour a better place

Edgington asks that before calling the Action Line, people resolve their particular problem with the base agencies listed here:

	responsible
	Base exchange Chaplain Civil engineering Civilian pay
1	Commissary Military equal opport Inspector general

735-8512 722-0315 722-5139 722-5358 722-0321 722-1180 722-0008 736-7021 (800) 931-9501

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Postal service



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Frank Lewis, post office manager, helps a customer with postage. The base post office is now open from 9 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. The full service post office is located next to the Southern Eagle dining facility. Currently, the post office accepts cash and checks only, but talks are underway to have credit card capabilities installed. For more information, call 722-5496.

Sponsorship program gets overhaul for newcomers

By Senior Airman Travis Riley Public Affairs

A sponsorship training class is today at the base theater at 2:30 p.m. for those who haven't received training yet this year.

The open class is part of an effort to crack down on incoming members receiving poor guidance, and an overhaul of the base sponsorship program.

Marilyn Roseborough, 4th Fighter Wing relocation manager, is currently working with the military personnel flight in the overhaul process but said the responsibility ultimately falls on the squadrons and people in them to fulfill their duties as a sponsor.

"People should realize sponsors are often the first impression incoming troops get of Seymour Johnson," said Roseborough.

A big concern for Roseborough, is the first-term airmen and officers as well program, she hopes the pro-

... sponsors are often the first impression incoming troops get of Seymour Johnson.

> Marilyn Roseborough 4th Fighter Wing relocation manager

since they're not only to the base, but new to the Air Force

"These people are coming straight from technical school and don't really know how the Air Force works yet," said Roseborough. "They need to know more than just a number for someone to contact if they have any questions, they need to know the person as well.

Roseborough said now that the "eye of the base leadership" is on the sponsorship gram will be able to turn

"Hopefully with squadrons now getting no-show letters for people who don't attend the training sessions, our numbers will go up," said Roseborough. "We're also going to start keeping track of squadron numbers, and report the results to their commanders."

Capt. Cher Lobash. 4th Component Repair Squadron section commander, agrees with Roseborough on the importance of being a good sponsor.

"I used to think being a good sponsor was just using common sense," said Lobash, "It wasn't until later in my military career when I found out that taking care of our people the best we can from the very beginning really does make a difference

"I would encourage everyone available to make the class today so we can get our people started off right and ready to work the Seymour Johnson

■ A sponsorship training class begins at 2:30 p.m. today at the base theater. The class is for individuals who haven't received sponsorship training this year.

Spiritual Ops up and running

By Airman 1st Class **Charity Jules** Public Affairs

Spiritual Ops, which has been operating out of Bldg. 4620 since the end of May, is a program designed by the base chapel to give airmen who work the flightline easier access to chapel services.

"We wanted to create a place where people can come and relax, pray and spend time in fellowship," said Chaplain (Capt.) Rick Beyea III. "I think we have succeeded."

However, the Spiritual Ops building is only a small part of the actual program.

Currently, Beyea visits the four fighter squadrons and conducts Bible studies with people

week. Bible studies are every Tuesday.

The 335th Fighter Squadron and the 4th Operation Support Squadron meet the first Tuesday of each month. The 336th Fighter Squadron meets on the second Tuesday. The 333rd Fighter Squadron, of course meets on the third Tuesday and the 334th Fighter Squadron meets on the fourth Tuesday.

The Spiritual Ops program enables Beyea and the chapel staff to be involved with the troops, he said.

"Chaplain Beyea is down here a lot," said Senior Airman Brandy Forward, an aircraft scheduler with the 333rd Fighter Squadron, "He makes an effort to be there for the troops.

Other 333rd flightline airmen

"It's hard for those of us who work the flightline to participate in chapel activities," said Airman 1st Class Misty Cygan, an aircraft scheduler with the 333rd FS. "The Bible studies makes the chapel more accessible for us."

Aside from Bible studies, the Spiritual Ops program also supports a "Prayer Power" group This prayer group meets Tuesdays from 7 to 7:30 a.m. and Wednesdays at noon. The Spiritual Ops program also offers counseling Thursday evenings and Friday mornings.

The building itself is open from noon to 4:30 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays. Volunteers are needed to supplement these hours.

For more information, call



Airman 1st Class Charity Jules/W7

Chaplain (Capt.) Rick Beyea does a blessing for a 333rd Fighter Squadron jet as it taxies to takeoff.

The Youth Center is scheduled to open

Newest QOL initiative at Youth Center

By Senior Airman Travis Riley Public Affairs

For the past year, Seymour has seen many initiatives to improve the quality of life for the wing, and there doesn't seem to be any sign of these projects slowing.

The newest addition to QOL initiatives is the redesign of the youth center.

Matt Makdad, youth center redesign project manager, said the youth center is tentatively scheduled to open Dec. 15.

"When the center onens the-art facility for the youth on base to enjoy," said Makdad. "After all the additions and renovations take place, the center will be more than twice its original size. It will increase from 12,000 square feet to 25.000."

Makdad added that children on base should be happy to know there will be a multipurpose room now in the youth center.

"The multipurpose room, much like a gym, will have a full size basketball court with bleachers," said Makdad. "The room floor will be made of rubber instead of the traditional hardwood." Along with the new multipurpose room the

center will get more office space, a kitchen, snackbar and new restrooms The new youth center which cost \$2.8 million

is yet another new facility to open on Seymour Johnson this year. In January the new shoppette opened, followed by the 1+1 dormitory in March and the new edu-

cation center in May. Improving the quality of life is a major issue on base said Col. David Edgington, 4th Fighter

Wing Commander. "Pursuing quality of life initiatives for the men and women of the 'Fourth but First' team and their families is definitely a top priority; that's why we've been working so hard to upgrade and improve our living and work facilities on base,"

the colonel said.

Middle East:

Iraqi provocations of coalition aircraft grows

Bv Jim Garamone American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON – Iraq has grown increasingly aggressive in trying to down a coalition aircraft, a Pentagon spokesman said July

Navy Rear Adm. Craig Quigley said the volume of fire is up "significantly" from last year. In the area encompassed by Operation Southern Watch, there were 221

Iraqi provocations of coalition airgunners who down a coalition airgunners 370 provocations. In the Northern Watch area, there were 145 provocations in 2000 and 62 this year.

These numbers also include Iraqi violations of the no-fly zones.

Quigley said "provocation" means missiles or anti-aircraft artillery fired or Iraqi radars "painting" - locking onto - coalition aircraft. He said Saddam Hussein has offered a reward for

craft in all of 2000. In just seven craft. The Iraqis seem to be getting to hitting a coalition aircraft, months of 2001, there have been bolder, he noted. Last week, Iraqi sometimes they are further away, gunners launched a surface-to-air missile at a U-2 reconnaissance plane. Earlier, Iraq even shot at a assessment of their capabilities." Navy E-2 Hawkeye plane flying over Kuwait.

> northern no-fly zones over Iraq is dangerous business, Quigley said.

"The Iraqis bring a variety of techniques to their integrated air defense system, he said.

Quigley said. "I'd be hard-pressed to make an across-the-board

Sometimes the Iragis are closer

For years, Saddam has offered a reward for crews that shoot down a Patrolling the southern and coalition aircraft. The number cited most often is \$1 million.

> The United States "reserves the right to strike targets at a time and a place and a manner of our choos-

Force structure change impacts wing manning

To see other Air Force base impacts, visit www.af.mil/news/ July2001/ n20010727_1022. shtml.

WASHINGTON (AFPN) - Air Force officials have proposed changes in the force sstructure affecting the total force active duty. Guard and Reserve - to include the

locations of people, aircraft and organizations across the United States.

addresses fiscal 2002 force structure, realignment and concept. The 4th Medical

management actions resulting from mission changes, adjustments for efficiency and both congressional and presidential directives.

Sevmour Johnson's total impact is a decrease of 30 military and eight civilian authorizations. Ten military authorizations are gained to Expeditionary Air Force

eight civilian authorizations as a result of Air Force Medical Service optimizaiton. Other minor realignments result in a decrease of two military authorizations.

"This effort began many years ago when Air Staff directed every Air Force organization and function be reengineered and new

Group loses 38 military and Air Force Manpower Standards developed," said Donal Newcomb, 4th Fighter Wing manpower office.

Before making final decisions concerning the major movement of forces, the Air Force will conduct appropriate environmental analywith Clean Air Act provi-



Dining facility's new hours

The Southern Eagle dining facility's weekday hours are:

☐ Breakfast - 6-8 a.m.

☐ Lunch - 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. ☐ Dinner – 3:30 to 6:30 p.m.

☐ Midnight – 10:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.

Weekend hours are:

☐ Brunch – 6 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. ☐ Dinner- 4 to 5:30 p.m.

☐ Midnight – 11:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.

Steam plant closed for maintenance

The main central steam plant will shut down for scheduled maintenance Wednesday from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Facilities on the main part of the base will not have hot water, humidity control or process steam. Military family housing and the flightline areas won't be affected. For more information, call

Blood drive at theater

The American Red Cross holds a blood drive Aug. 10 from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., at the base theater. For more information, call Susan Spell at 722-1123.

Airshow booths deadline

The deadline for organizations interested in having a booth at the air show is Aug. 10. To register, submit a letter to Ken Tyler no later than Aug. 10. People can either e-mail the letter to ken.tyler@seymourjohnson.af.mil, mail it to 1540 Goodson St., Suite 200 or drop it off at Bldg. 3601. The project officer's name, the name of an alternate, the office symbol, e-mail and telephone number must be included in the letter. The first meeting for booth representatives is Aug. 15 at 8 a.m. at the enlisted club.

HCAC meeting scheduled for Aug. 14

The 4th Medical Group hosts the quarterly healthcare consumers advisory council Aug. 14 at 2 p.m. in the medical group's chiefs' conference room. The council is open to all beneficiaries and is intended to provide a forum to enhance communication between the medical group and those who use its services. For more information, call Maj. Scott Zuerlein at 722-0960.

ALS instructor wanted

The Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force James C. Binnicker Airman Leadership School is accepting packages for a staff or technical sergeants for ALS instructor duty. The report no later than date is Aug. 31, 2001. Individuals interested must submit a package by Aug. 15 to: ALS Flight Chief, 4 MSS/DPN, 1195 Cannon Ave., SJAFB NC, 27534. For more information, call Master Sgt. Stephen Mihal or Tech. Sgt. Lamont Virgil at 722-1149.

WCC adds E-commerce major

Beginning this fall, Wayne Community College offers an associates degree in business administration and electronic business. People wishing to attend should apply now for fall admission. Registration is Aug. 14 and classes begin Aug. 16. For more information, call 735-5152, ext. 342.

Attic is open this summer

The Airmen's Attic is open weekdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Top 3 is sponsoring a volunteer effort to keep the attic open until it is able to move to a new location in September. Volunteer slots are still available. For more information, call 722-3205 or 722-5393.

Thrift shop still accepting donations

The thrift shop is closed for the summer, but is still able to accept donations. Donations may be placed in the drop box located behind the thrift shop at 3001 Andrews St. The shop reopens for business Aug. 14. For more information, call Tina Claus at 751-8236.

Red Cross safety course

A community first aid and safety course is Aug. 18 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Course offers adult CPR, infant and child CPR, and first aid. Cost for the entire course is \$45. One or two classes may be taken at a reduced rate. Pre-registeration is required and can be done by e-mailing susan.spell@seymour johnson.af.mil, or at the family support center front desk.



This section of the Wright Times features excerpts from the 4th Security Forces Squadron blotter entries as provided by the 4 SFS.

Loss of Control! An underage airman, who drank too much decided to physically assault his girlfriend and cut up the contents of her room. He was charged with underage drinking, damaging gov ernment and personal property, and assault.

Harassment! A civilian female complained that an airman was harassing her However, upon further investigation, it was determined that she was the one doing the harassing. She was escorted from the base and is being considered for barFive fingers on the prowl! Shoplifting and private property being stolen continue to be of major concern. The list of stolen items this week includes cell phones, compact disks, a pool, five bikes and contracting equipment. Total cost of the stolen equipment is more than \$3,000. All the stolen personal property was left unsecured.

We need a ride! Two bike thieves were caught and four bikes were recovered, with more to come! Both of the admitted thieves were dependents of military members living on base.

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EXCELLING: MPF troop gets surprised with new E-6 stripes

about the new military modification system when he was surprised with the promotion.

Randall said that during a meeting in the military personnel flight, Col. David Edgington, 4th Fighter Wing Commander, came in and asked him what kind of problems the retraining section was having with the new

MILMOD system.

"I must have talked for a couple of minutes, all the time looking at my boss to get some had said enough, but they just left me hanging," he said. "Right in he said. the middle of my dissertation I saw the colonel pulling some stripes out of his pock-

"I just thought that he wasn't listening, I had no idea they were for me," Randall said.

It wasn't until the kind of indication that I Edgington told him congratulations that he realized they were for him,

> almost hugged him," said Randall.

Randall said none of this would have happened if it wasn't for God and his family, especially his wife.

She has had to play the role of single parent so many times through my military career," said Randall. "She has really worked hard in "I was so excited I keeping our four children, house, work and personal life in tact. She has always been my

MOBILITY: Base helps educate area teachers about military life

Olivia Pierce, agrees.

"This is a wonderful opportunity for our teachers to gain knowledge of the whole process of a deployment and what a familv might go through if this were

to ever happen," said Pierce.

Since the seminar is open to all educators in the Wayne County area, Pierce said she plans to attend one of the last two seminars being offered.

From the deployment line, she said she hopes to gain the knowledge of what happens during a deployment.

To volunteer to help with the line, call 722-1126.

OTS: Pursuing a commission

end of the day and my commander walked in and said, 'Who's buying the beer?' and I said 'Hopefully, I am."

Netchaeff was on leave when his commander called him with the good news.

"I was overjoyed, it's a fantastic feeling. It put a little more joy into the vacation," he said.

Air Force wide 153 enlisted airmen were chosen to attend OTS by Air Force Recruiting Service officials, which met in June. The board considered 470 total applications, selecting 335 enlisted airmen and civilians for a 71-percent selection rate.

As part of the selection process, board members reviewed both objective and subiective factors. Objectively, the board considered each applicant's academic discipline, grade point average and Air Force Officer Qualifying Test scores.

Subjectively, board members evaluated work experience, accomplishments, adaptability, character, leadership ability, potential for future growth and other recommendations. Performance reports and commander's recommendations were also evaluated for active-duty enlisted members.

For more information concerning OTS and the application process, active-duty members should call the education center at 722-5800, and civilians should contact the local Air Force recruiter at 735-7333.



Tech. Sgt. Bill





Tech. Sgt. Paul Netchaeff



Tech. Sgt. Veronique Pendell

ACCESS: Volunteers network local chapter

analysis for the project, which totaled approximately \$1,500. The project included the establishment of the network and e-mail capabilities. This required running cables from a hub to 12 different locations throughout their building (six currently in use and six for future use), installing hardware and software onto the six computers and coordinating with a local Internet provider to get the system running, said Winkelman.

Bell said once she had Winkelman's proposal she had to get one from the Red Cross. Winkelman said the Red Cross' cost analysis for the project was approximately \$11.000. The biggest difference was the cost of labor to do the project, said Winkelman. The \$1,500 would be the cost of the materials, he said. He and Senior Airman Adam Crane, Staff Sgt. Dudley Spooner and Master Sgt. Stefon Jubar would volunteer their time. said Winkelman.

Needless to say the board of directors approved the proposal submitted by Winkelman, said Bell.

Winkelman estimated that they each spent seven hours on the project May 26. However, he added that he spent an additional 20 plus hours coordinating various aspects of the project to see it through.

Teresa Williams, Wayne County Chapter of the American Red Cross emergency services director said they have had no problems with the system since it came on line.

"It's been wonderful," said Williams. "I love it."

"We're now tied into the

rest of the world," said Bell. Bell said they can now do a better job serving their customers and she's very pleased with the results of everyone's

"I can't say enough about Dave" and all the others, who were involved in the project, said Bell.

efforts.

Winkelman is also happy with the results of the project. "It was a good effort." said

Winkelman. "We all pitched in to get the job done. It's always good to see a project go from nothing to being completed."

EDUCATION:

New course on line

here to interact with the students and instructor there."

The class will be projected through the overhead projection system and the instructor will have the capability to zoom in on a particular student to help with any problems, Best said.

And this may be the beginprograms offered at Seymour.

"Negotiations are currently underway to add other programs, particularly at the

graduate level," Best said. We are looking to add a bachelor's and a master's of education and a computer and business program at the graduate level."

Cost of the classes are minimal with the Air Force tuition assistance program, said Margaret Slade, base training ning of several A & T degree and education services flight chief.

> For more information, call the education center at 722-

EMS clinches first place with SFS defeat



SFS first baseman Bruce Wilson stretches for the ball but EMS first baseman Chris Garon legs out the soft grounder to second base, setting the stage for the maintainers big three-run first inning.

Bv Senior Airman Travis Riley Public Affairs

In a game with two playoff bound teams, the 4th Equipment Maintenance Squadron squeaked by the Security Forces Squadron 9-8, in an intramural softball game Tuesday at Tinker Field.

The maintainers came out of the gate quick, as they scored three runs on the strength of a two-out two-run scoring double by pitcher and coach Ron Ellis to help his own cause and put his team up 3-0 after one inning.

After blanking the cops in the second inning, EMS added another run on three

hits to extend their lead to

In the third inning the cops loaded the bases only to ground out to Ellis and leave the inning empty handed. The same didn't hold true for EMS as they scored three more runs, two of them on another two-out double, this time rightfielder Justin Ratcliffe.

After three innings SFS found themselves down 9-0 against the undefeated EMS team.

While most teams would throw in the towel being down by nine, the cops looked to cuff the maintainers and mount a comeback in the fourth inning.

Paced by right-center-

fielder Wiley Hudson's two-run double the cops scored five runs on eight hits to bring the score to 9-

"Even though we were down 9-0. I knew my team wasn't going to give up.' said Joe Cason, SFS player-coach. "This team's got a lot of heart, and I think we proved it tonight."

The cops came right back in the fifth inning and added one more run, but left the bases loaded, which would prove to be a crucial turning point in the game.

Neither team scored a run in the sixth inning, which set the stage for some last inning drama if SFS was to pull the game out, trailing by three, 9-6.

With one out and a runner on first base for the cops, Don Witmer came to the plate and delivered a two-strike bomb over the left field fence to bring the cops within one run.

After a groundout and then a double, the cops had a chance to tie the game but could only manage a weak grounder to second base, giving a relieved EMS team their slimmest victory of the year.

"That was a big victory for us," said Ellis. "The win clinched first place in our division.'

With the win, EMS improves their record to an undefeated 16-0 and SFS falls to a still impressive

Standings

Softball

American League	
4 CRS	17-0
AMMO "A"	15-2
4 OSS	11-6
4 CES	11-6
4 CS	8-8
334 FS OPS	7-6
4 SUPS	6-9
333 FS	5-12
4 CRS "C"	5-15
335 FS	0-18
National League	
4 EMS AGE	16-0

4 SFS 4 TRANS AMMO "B" 4 OSS "B" 4 CRS "B" 333 FS "B" LIFE SUPPORT 334 FS

333FS 916 ARW 4 CES 4 OSS 4 MDG

Commander's Cup

Large unit		Small unit				
4 MDG	170	334 FS	130			
4 CES	138	4 OSS	123			
4 CRS	123	4 SUPS	104			
4 EMS	115	4SFS	97			
333 FS	111	4TRANS	84			
336 FS	79	4CS	80			
335 FS	30	4 CPTS	49			
916 ARW	28	4 MSS	46			
		4 SVS	45			
		4 CONS	2			
		371 TRS	2			
Courtesy of the fitness center staff.						

ports shorts

August HAWC happenings

Learn how to lower blood pressure through the dietary approaches to stop hypertension class Wednesday and Aug. 22 from 10 to 11:30 a.m.

Water Wellness is a class focusing on the importance of staying hydrated. The class is Wednesday from noon to 1 p.m. at the Family Place. The Family Place is also hosting two nutrition classes this month. The "Last Taste of Summer" is Tuesday from 10:30 a.m. to noon. It helps people meet their five-a-day fruit and vegetable requirement with a fruit smoothie. An alternative cooking for a healthier lifestyle demonstration is Aug. 29 from 6-7 p.m.

The healthy food commissary tour is Thursday at 8:30 a.m. The tour specializes in teaching people how to read food labels and make nutritious food choic-

The "Get Fit for Life" class is is Aug. 13 from 9:30 to 11 a.m. The class educates people on how to modify their lifestyle with guidance on general nutrition and fitness information.

The six-week Kick Butts Tobacco Cessation class begins Aug. 21 from noon to 1 p.m. The course focuses on the physical and psychological effects of tobacco addiction. The nicotine patch and Zyban are available to authorized users of the base

The healthy heart class teaches people how to lower cholesterol through diet and exercise. The class is Aug. 15 and 29 from 10-11:30 a.m.

For more information or to register for a program or class, call 722-0407.

Flag football

Flag football begins Monday. The players pool is available for players who belong to a squadron which don't have a team. People who are interested in the players pool must have their name on the list by Aug. 15. For more information, call 722-0408.

Golf tournament

The Air Force clubs tourna ment is Aug. 17. The tourna ment is \$25 per person, plus a Society Open is Aug. 11 at 8:30 \$19 annual green holders fee. a.m., at the Three Eagles Golf

The shotgun is at 1 p.m. Lunch is included. There will be random drawings for cash prizes and the squadron with the most new Air Force club members wins a \$500 club credit. Register by Aug. 16. For more information, call 722-0395.

Youth flag football

Registration for the Goldsboro Recreation and Parks youth flag football league runs through Aug. 24 at the following locations: the Recreation and Parks Department, 903 E. Ash St. from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.: the W.A. Foster Center, 516 S. Leslie St. from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; and the Wayne County Memorial Community Building, 239 East Walnut St. from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The league is for children age 6 to 9. Cost is \$10 for city residents and \$15 for noncity residents. For more information, call Jeffery Winbush at

Annual Leukemia **Society Open**

The Third Annual Leukemia

Course. Cost is \$40 per person for greens fees, cart and lunch. All proceeds benefit the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. To register, call John Kuckza at 759-0468.

Air Force Marathon

The Fifth Annual U.S. Air Force Marathon festivities begin Sept. 20 at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. Festivities include a sports exposition, prerace pasta dinner, race day opening ceremony and an awards ceremony. The 2000 marathon had more than 2.900 participants running either individually, on a relay team or in the wheelchair category. Visit the Air Force Marathon Website at http://afmarathon.wpafb.af.mil/, or call (800) 467-1823.

Center upgrades

Contractors are upgrading the men's and women's locker rooms at the fitness center. The work will be done in two phases and should be completed by Nov. 15. During phase one, new saunas will be installed in both men's and women's locker rooms. Each locker room will

have one sauna when complete. Two additional showers will also be added to the women's locker room.

The first phase of the work will not have much effect on the use of the showers and lockers. However, during the second phase, new tile will be installed in the showers, floors will be chemically cleaned, exhaust fans will be installed and a third commode will be added to the women's locker room. For more information, call Ed Hood, fitness center director at 722-0406.

Bernie Hart Memorial golf tournament

Three Eagles Golf Course hosts the Bernie Hart Memorial Golf Tournament Aug. 25 at 8 a.m. The format is "captain's choice" and features teams of four. No more than one person per team can have a handicap of less than eight. Individual hole sponsors is \$25 and business hole sponsers is \$50. Proceeds go the the American Cancer Society.

For more information, call Sam Brady at 778-9016 or the pro shop at 722-0395.

Inside the gate

Dining facility menu meeting: A menu planning board meets Wednesday at 9 a.m. at the Southern Eagle Dining Facility to discuss food issues in the dining facilities.

This meeting is for all people who are on a meal card. For more information, call 722-5320.

Employment workshops: The family support center holds several classes to help people find a job. The "Interviewing Skills" class is Monday. The "How to Identify Your Most Marketable Career Skill" class is scheduled for Tuesday from 9-11 a.m. A

job search is scheduled for Aug. 21 from 9-11 a.m. For more information, call 722-1123

Teen lock-in: The youth center hosts a lock-in for teens 13 and older Aug. 13 from 9 p.m. to 7 a.m. Cost is \$5 for members and \$7 for nonmembers. Hotdogs and sodas will be served. Register at the youth center. For more information, call 722-0334.

Legal brown bag lunch: As part of the monthly brown bag legal lecture series, Capt. Nick Wood presents a lecture on Social Security benefits Aug. 30 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the

legal office. People attending the briefing may bring their lunch to this informal presentation. For more information. call 722-5322.

Youth center planning: The vouth center has weekly meetings for teens to get involved with the planning stage of activities. The Torch Club meeting, for ages 10 to 13, is Tuesdays from 4-5 p.m., and the Keystone Club meetings, for ages 14 to 18, are Thursdays from 4-5 p.m. For more information, call the youth center at 722-0334

CGOC luau: The annual company grade officer's council luau is Aug. 17 from

7:30-11:30 p.m. at the Berkeley Pool. The luau is open to all officers, spouses and their guests and costs \$2. For more information, call 2nd Lt. Camika Miller at 722-0230.

Transition assistance program: The family support center has TAP classes beginning Monday, Thursday and Aug. 13 at 1 p.m. in the family support center for individuals preparing to separate or retire. TAP is geared to equip military and civilian personnel, and their families with skills and knowledge for re-entry into the private sector. Every person who is leaving active

duty or retiring must attend the mandatory TAP program. The class covers major subjects such as Veterans Affairs benefits. Individuals wanting to learn more about benefits are provided to them after leaving military service can attend a TAP workshop Aug. 14-16 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., in the officers' club. However, enrolling in the workshop does not fulfill the mandatory TAP requirement. The emphasis of the classes is transition preparation rather than job placement. For more information, call the family support center at 722-



Chapel schedule

Catholic

 Weekend Masses: Saturday - 5:30 p.m., Sunday - 9:30

•Weekday Masses: Weekdays - 11:30 a.m. to noon

Confessions: Saturday -4:15 to 5:15 p.m., weekdays by request

The Catholic Women of the Chapel meets the first Friday of each month at 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel Annex. For information, call 751-

0140. The Catholic Mass for the Assumption of Mary is Aug.15 at 11:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. in the base chapel. This is a Catholic Holy Day of Obligation. For more information, call Pam McGuire at 722-0315.

Protestant Services

•Sunday services: 8 a.m. - Liturgical worship service 9:30 a.m. - Religious education, ages three through adult, meets in Bldg. 4403 10:45 a.m. - Extended religious education 11 a.m. - Traditional service 12:30 p.m. - Inspirational service

 The Protestant men meet at 9 a.m. the first Saturday of every month. The Protestant women meet at 7 p.m. the second Thursday of every month.
•For more information or to contact a chaplain during duty hours, call 722-0315. To contact a chaplain after duty hours, call the command post at 722-2679.

Jewish, Orthodox and Muslim Call the chapel at 722-0315.

Outside the gate

Night out: Tuesday the Goldsboro Police Department in conjunction with the Wayne County Sheriff's Office and the Goldsboro housing authority sponsor the 18th Annual "National Night Out" crime and drug prevention event Tuesday from 6 to 9 p.m. in Herman Park. The event features free entertainment. a K-9 demonstration and clowns. For more information, call Cpl. Theresa Cox at 580-4256 or Cpl. Bob Morrison at 731-1492.

Wood carving club: The Neuse River wood carvers meets Mondays from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the city art counsel building on the corner of Herman and Ash streets. For more information, call

Marshall Jameson at 722-1350 or 731-3088.

Deep sea fishing:

Outdoor recreation is planning a full-day, deep-sea fishing trip Sept. 8 going 30 to 60 miles out to sea. Cost is \$70 per person and includes transportation, all tackle, bait and professional assistance while fishing. The fishing party leaves the base at 3:30 a.m. and arrives at the dock in Morehead City at 5:30 a.m. The boat leaves at 6 a.m. and returns at 5 p.m. The boat is fully heated and air-conditioned, provides an on board restaurant for dining and a sun deck. Participants may take small coolers and non-alcoholic beverages. Space is limited.

door recreation at 1515 Goodson St. For more information, call outdoor recreation at 722-1106.

Carolina music: The Carolina Music Showcase is today and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. at the Paramount . Theater on Center Street in downtown Goldsboro. The showcase features 15 entertainers who perform to a five-piece band. Cost is \$10. For more information, call 689-9638.

Bentonville battleground: The Bentonville Battleground, located 20 miles from Goldsboro on Highway 341, holds a summer seasonal living history program Aug. 11 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Aug. 12 from 1-4 p.m. For more

information, call (910) 594-0789.

Farmers' market: The Goldsboro farmers' market is open Mondays through Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., and is located in downtown Goldsboro on the corner of Center and Spruce streets. Local music: The Center

Street Jam is a series of free concerts held in downtown Goldsboro on Center Street, Thursday nights from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Mardi Gras performs Thursday and Big Bertha performs Aug. 23. The event is held in the Waynesboro House parking lot. People may bring their own lounge chairs. Coolers are prohibited. However, food and beverages are sold at the con-

cert. For more information, call 735-4959.

Fort Fisher dining and entertainment: The Beach House Bar & Grill located at Fort Fisher Air Force Recreation Area, Kure Beach, N.C., offers a "Grill Your Own Steak" special Saturdays throughout the summer. Lenny Frank, a "one-man band," plays a variety of musical entertainment at the Beach House Aug. 11 and 25, and Sept. 1. For more information, call (910) 458-6549 or toll free at (800) 645-9725.

Aquarium: The North Carolina Aquarium at Pine Knolls shores is open daily from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. It is located on Pine Knolls Boulevard, off Highway 58.



Friday 7 p.m. Atlantis: The Lost Empire (PG)

<u>Saturday</u> 2 p.m. Dr. Dolittle 2 (PG) 9 p.m. The Fast and the Furious (PG-

<u>Sunday</u> 2 p.m. Dr. Dolittle 2 (PG)

Previews:
Atlantis: The Lost Empire - Milo Thatch dreams of completing the quest begun by his late grandfather. When a long lost journal surfaces, providing new clues to the location, the action shifts into high gear. Milo leads Commander Rourke and his team to the elusive undersea kingdom, but what they find there defies their expectations.

People must register at out-

Swordfish - This is the story of the world's most dangerous spy, a charismatic, multifaceted man hired by the CIA to coerce a computer hacker recently released from prison to help steal \$6 billion in unused government funds. In exchange, the hacker can regain custody of his daughter and start a new life.

Dr. Dolittle 2 - Dr. Dolittle's animal friends want more than office visits. They want to save their forest from unscrupulous human developers.

The Fast and the Furious - Domenic is the leader of a street gang that race Japanese cars. He is under suspicion of stealing expensive electronic equipment. Meanwhile, an undercover police officer attempts to find the person responsible for stealing the equipment, and ends up falling in love.



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